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OPNAV NOTICE 5450

From: Chief of Naval Operations

Subj: ESTABLISHMENT OF SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT SQUADRON ONE
(VXS-1) AND SCIENTIFIC DEVELOPMENT SQUADRON ONE SUPPORT
ACTIVITY

Ref: (a) OPNAVINST 5450.169D
(b) SNDL (OPNAVNOTE 5400 Series)

1. Purpose. To implement Secretary of the Navy approval to establish subject shore activities under the command and support of the Chief of Naval Research (CNR) per reference (a).

2. Background. The Naval Research Laboratory currently has a Flight Support Detachment at NAS Patuxent River to provide heavy lift aircraft capable of supporting scientific research projects around the world for Navy, Department of Defense and other government agencies that contribute to Naval Research. Current action recognizes the increasing complexity, operations tempo and worldwide deployments of the detachment and re-designates it as a stand alone shore activity, similar to training squadrons, designated as Scientific Development Squadron ONE (VXS-1). The action also recognizes the increasing need for a commanding officer to head the command as it expands its role into the area of Unmanned Air Vehicles (UAV) and other research operations. The Squadron Support Activity will provide the flight operations, aircraft maintenance and ground support functions for VXS-1.

3. Organizational Changes. Establish Scientific Development Squadron ONE (VXS-1) and Scientific Development Squadron ONE Support Activity effective immediately. The following applies:

a. Establishment

Commanding Officer
Scientific Development Squadron ONE (VXS-1)
47273 Tate RD BLDG 1581
Naval Air Station
Patuxent River MD 20670

(SNDL: E3C) (UIC: 31686)
(PLA: FLTSCIDEVRON ONE PATUXENT RIVER MD)
(Activity Code: 5758-100)

Mission: To provide heavy lift aircraft capable of supporting scientific research projects around the world for the Naval Research Laboratory, Department of the Navy, Department of Defense activities, as well as other U. S. government agencies that contribute to Naval Research.

Officer in Charge
Scientific Development Squadron ONE Support Activity
47273 Tate RD BLDG 1581
Naval Air Station
Patuxent River MD 20670

(SNDL: E3D) (UIC: 48498)
(PLA: FLTSCIDEVRON ONE SUPPACT PATUXENT RIVER MD)

Mission: To provide flight operations, aircraft maintenance, and ground support functions for Scientific Development Squadron ONE.

- b. Area Coordination: CNI
- c. Major Claimant: Chief of Naval Research
- d. Resource Sponsor: N091
- e. Command and Support. Chief of Naval Research to be exercised through:

<u>Echelon</u>	<u>Command and Support</u>
2	Commanding Officer, Naval Research Laboratory, Washington, DC
3	Commanding Officer, Scientific Development Squadron ONE
4	Officer in Charge, Scientific Development Squadron ONE Support Activity

4. Action

a. CNR will take appropriate action to establish subject shore activities.

b. Master Update Authority, Honolulu, HI will add the Plain Language Addresses (PLA) in the Central Directory Component effective immediately unless otherwise directed via official correspondence. Correspondence concerning the PLA should be forwarded to NAVNETSPAOPSCOM (Code N31), 5280 Fourth St., Dahlgren, VA 22448-5300.

c. DNS-33 will revise reference (b)

5. Cancellation Contingency. This notice may be retained for reference purposes. The organization action will remain effective until changed by DNS.

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